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PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

**AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA
RECHITSA, USSR
BELORUSSIAN MD**



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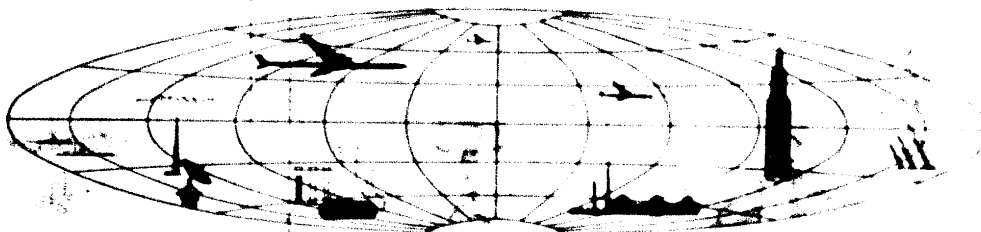


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PREFACE

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In the interest of uniformity, the titles and letter designators for the facilities observed at these installations are identical with those appearing in the project requirement. When a specific facility is not observed both its title and letter designator are omitted in the report.

Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training area or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

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AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA
(52-19N 030-24E)
RECHITSA, GOMELSKAYA OBLAST, USSR
BELORUSSIAN MD

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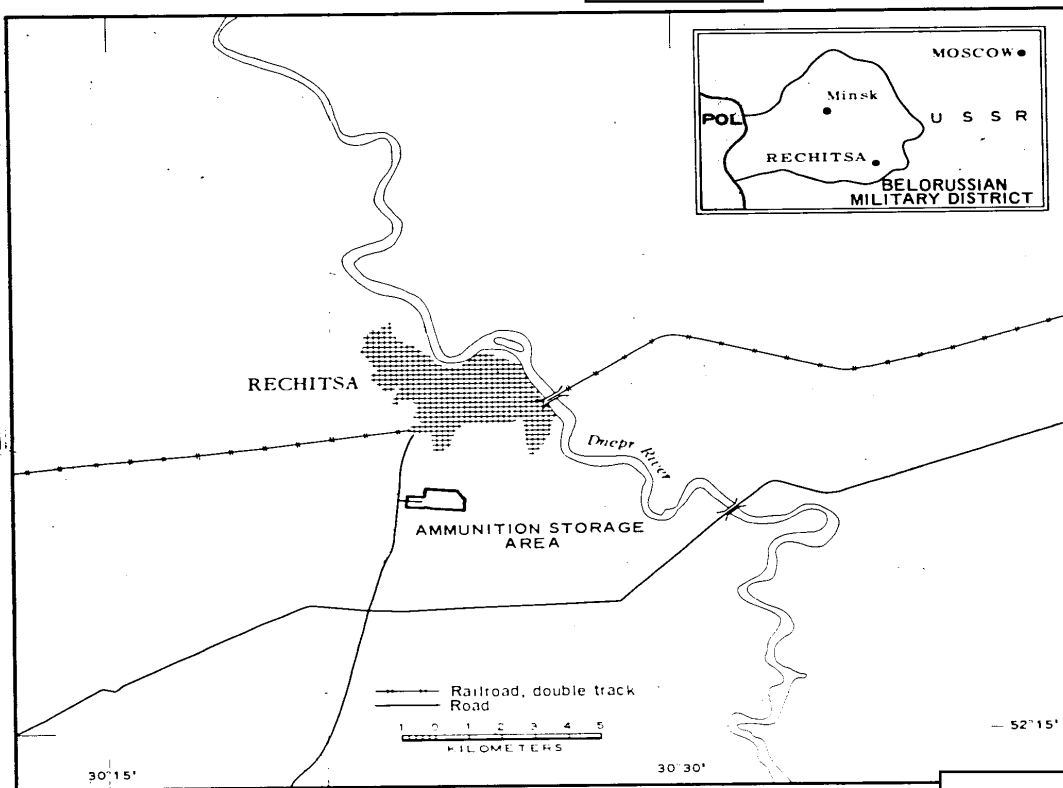


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA, RECHITSA.

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SUMMARY

An ammunition storage area is located two kilometers (km) south of Rechitsa (52-21N 030-24E), south of the Rechitsa-Babichi rail line and east of the all-weather Rechitsa-Berezovka Pervaya highway (Figure 1). The installation is not rail served, but is served by the Rechitsa-Pervaya highway.

The installation, comprised of a double-fenced ammunition storage area and an adjacent support area, covers 225 acres and contains 11 revetted ammunition storage buildings, two probable barracks, and three support buildings

(Figures 2 and 3).

The area is covered by [redacted] missions [redacted]. Comparative analysis revealed that the buildings observed under construction [redacted] were completed [redacted].

This area is listed in the Bombing Encyclopedia as the "Rechitsa Army Training Area and Depot South [redacted]" however, there is no evidence of a training area associated with the ammunition storage area.

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DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

The Rechitsa-Babichi rail line is 2 km north of the installation.

Road Service

The Rechitsa-Berezovka Pervaya highway serves the installation.

Administrative and Troop Housing Area

Area D (Figure 3) contains two probable

barracks and two support buildings, and is a support area for the ammunition storage area.

Ammunition Storage Area

Area F contains 11 revetted ammunition storage buildings approximately [redacted] feet and one support building. This area is enclosed by a double fence and a perimeter fire-break. Construction observed [redacted] was completed [redacted].

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FIGURE 2. AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA, RECHITSA, USSR

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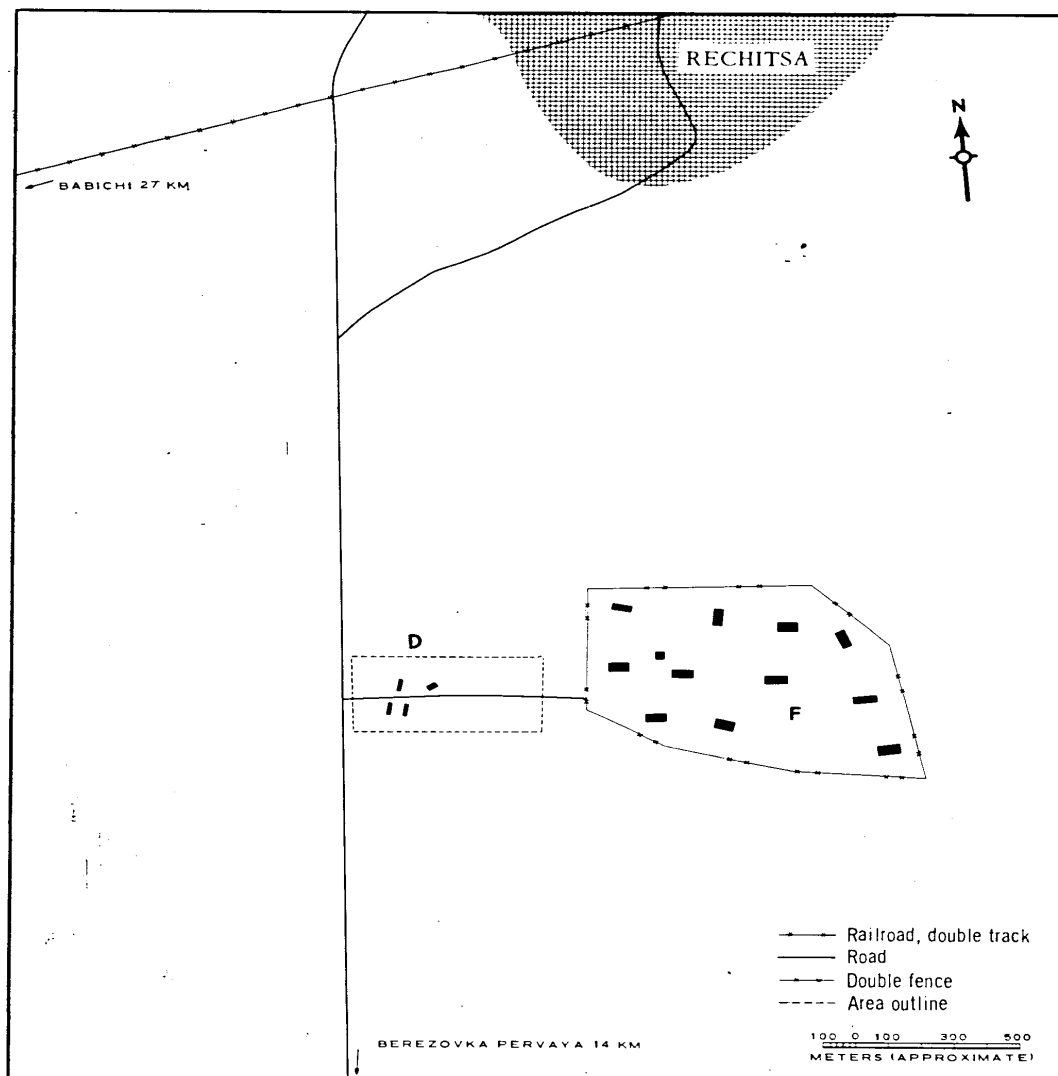


FIGURE 3. AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA, RECHITSA. Sketch compiled

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